

by the executive branch with foreign governments, international organizations, or other entities abroad, that purport to direct executive branch officials to negotiate with foreign governments or in international organizations to achieve specified foreign policy objectives, or that purport to require the executive branch to disclose deliberations between the United States and foreign countries. Such provisions include subsections 205(d) and (i) and 803(b) of the Act; subsection 431(b) of the Homeland Security Act of 2002, as amended by section 301 of the Act; and subsection 629(h) of the Tariff Act of 1930, as amended by section 404 of the Act. Such provisions, if construed as mandatory rather than advisory, would impermissibly interfere with the President's constitutional authorities to conduct the Nation's foreign affairs, participate in international negotiations, and supervise the unitary executive branch.

George W. Bush

The White House,
October 13, 2006.

NOTE: At the time of publication, H.R. 4954, approved October 13, had not been received by the Office of the Federal Register in time for assignment of a Public Law number.

**Remarks Following a Meeting With
the President's Management Council**
October 13, 2006

It's been my pleasure to meet with members of my administration on a very important topic, and that is, how do we make sure that the taxpayers' money we're spending is getting the results we want. And I appreciate Clay Johnson of the OMB staff. And I appreciate the Director for spearheading this project, which says to our agencies, it's important to set clear goals and to set priorities for the dollars we spend. And once a goal is set, a goal that everybody can understand, it's important to make sure we measure to determine whether or not we're achieving the results.

See, the people expect, when they send their money up there, expect us to achieve certain results. And so we've been through a rigorous process in this administration of judging agencies' ability to get results, and

I will tell you our agencies are responding well. It's important to measure results so that we know we're doing our job. It's also important to measure results to determine whether or not the taxpayers' money is being spent wisely.

We've all dedicated ourselves to rallying around this model. We are results-oriented people, and we work on behalf of the taxpayers. And when we find wasteful spending, we work to eliminate it. When we find a program that is making a significant difference, we work to enhance it. And we are getting results for the people. And I want to thank everybody around this table for being public servants, people who are willing to serve the public and bring dignity to the process.

I want you to go back to your agencies and thank those who are working hard on behalf of the American people as well. Thank you.

NOTE: The President spoke at 2 p.m. in Room 350 of the Dwight D. Eisenhower Executive Office Building.

**Presidential Determination on
Waiver and Certification of Statutory
Provisions Regarding the Palestine
Liberation Organization (PLO)
Office**

October 13, 2006

Presidential Determination No. 2007-02

Memorandum for the Secretary of State

Subject: Presidential Determination on Waiver and Certification of Statutory Provisions Regarding the Palestine Liberation Organization (PLO) Office

Pursuant to the authority and conditions contained in section 534(d) of the Foreign Operations, Export Financing, and Related Programs Appropriations Act, 2006, Public Law 109-102, I hereby determine and certify that it is important to the national security interests of the United States to waive the provisions of section 1003 of the Anti-Terrorism Act of 1987, Public Law 100-204.

This waiver shall be effective for a period of 6 months from the date hereof. You are hereby authorized and directed to transmit

this determination to the Congress and to publish it in the *Federal Register*.

George W. Bush

**Digest of Other
White House Announcements**

The following list includes the President's public schedule and other items of general interest announced by the Office of the Press Secretary and not included elsewhere in this issue.

October 7

In the morning, the President had an intelligence briefing. Later, he and Mrs. Bush traveled to Langley Air Force Base, VA, where, upon arrival, he met with USA Freedom Corps volunteer Leah Hunkins. They then traveled to Newport News, VA.

In the afternoon, the President and Mrs. Bush returned to Washington, DC.

October 9

In the morning, the President had separate telephone conversations with President Hu Jintao of China, Prime Minister Shinzo Abe of Japan, President Vladimir Putin of Russia, and President Roh Moo-hyun of South Korea to discuss the situation in North Korea. Later, he had an intelligence briefing.

October 10

In the morning, the President had an intelligence briefing.

In the afternoon, the President traveled to Chevy Chase, MD. Later, he traveled to Robins Air Force Base, GA, where, upon arrival, he met with USA Freedom Corps volunteer Melissa Rosa. He then traveled to Macon, GA.

In the evening, the President returned to Washington, DC.

October 11

In the morning, the President had an intelligence briefing.

In the afternoon, in the Oval Office, the President met with Deputy Secretary of Veterans Affairs Gordon H. Mansfield, and Gary

Kurpius, commander-in-chief, and Robert E. Wallace, executive director of the Washington office, Veterans of Foreign Wars. Later, also in the Oval Office, he met with Morris H. Chapman, president and chief executive officer, Southern Baptist Convention, and Frank Page, SBC Executive Committee president, and his wife, Dayle.

The White House announced that the President will welcome President Leonel Fernandez Reyna of the Dominican Republic to the White House on October 25.

October 12

In the morning, the President had a telephone conversation with Prime Minister John Howard of Australia. He then had an intelligence briefing. Later, in the Oval Office, he met with State Councilor Tang Jiaxuan of China.

Later in the morning, the President traveled to St. Louis, MO, where, upon arrival in the afternoon, he met with USA Freedom Corps volunteer Tom Bailey, Jr.

Later in the afternoon, the President traveled to Chicago, IL.

In the evening, the President returned to Washington, DC.

The President announced that he has named David Broome as Special Assistant to the President for Legislative Affairs.

The President announced that he has named Gordon Johndroe as Special Assistant to the President and National Security Council Press Secretary.

The President announced that he has named Richard Klingler as Senior Associate Counsel to the President and National Security Council Legal Advisor and General Counsel.

The President announced that he has named Bobby Pittman, Jr., as Special Assistant to the President for African Affairs of the National Security Council.

October 13

In the morning, the President had an intelligence briefing. Later, on the South Portico, he participated in a photo opportunity with World War II veterans of the U.S. Air Forces' 57th Bomb Wing.

In the afternoon, at the historic Evermay house, the President attended a Republican